

Lift Irrigation.

106. *MR. K. KUNJU PANICKAR (*Mavelikara cum Kunyattur*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Lift Irrigation experimented in North Travancore with electric power is found to be successful ; and

(b) if successful, why the system was not introduced into Central and South Travancore ?

MR. I. C. CHACKO : (a) Yes.

(b) Due to the difficulty in getting materials for extending the electric transmission lines.

Appointments of Judges from the members of the Bar.

107. *MR. M. R. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Tiruvalla*) : Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have received any representation from the Travancore Advocates' Association re : appointments of Judges from the members of the Bar ?

MR. K. G. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Legal Remembrancer to Government*) : Yes.

Appointment of Judges.

108. *MR. G. VELU PILLAI : Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have got any representation from the Travancore Advocates' Association that in future 75 per cent of the appointments as District and Second Judges and 50 per cent of the appointments as High Court Judges should be made from the members of the Bar ?

MR. K. G. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI : Yes.

MR. G. VELU PILLAI : May I know whether the Government have decided to do anything in the matter ?

MR. K. G. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI : The matter is under the consideration of Government.

MR. G. VELU PILLAI : May I know the existing rule with regard to the appointment of second judges ?

MR. K. G. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI : 50 per cent. is to be recruited from the Bar.

MR. G. VELU PILLAI : May I know whether that policy has been followed ?

MR. K. G. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI : As a matter of fact that rule seems to have been broken in favour of the members of the Bar, because I find that among the District Judges now, a large number has been recruited from the Bar.

MR. G. VELU PILLAI : Then, may I know, what does the member say with regard to the last three vacancies that arose in the department ? Were they not filled by the departmental hands ?

MR. K. G. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI : The last three vacancies cannot be isolated from the previous vacancies.